

# Proposed Ocean Plan Amendments Related to State Water Quality Protection Areas and Marine Protected Areas

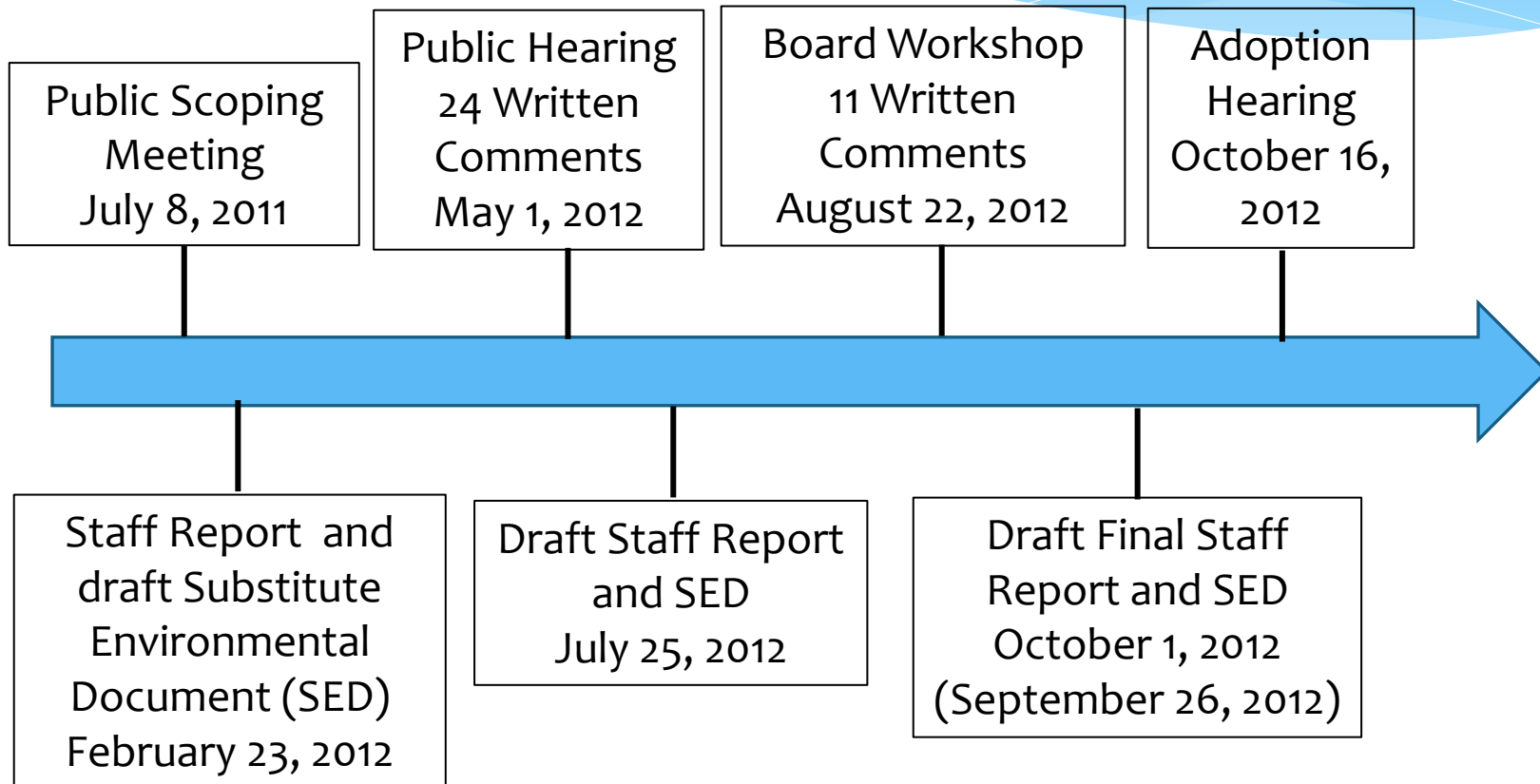
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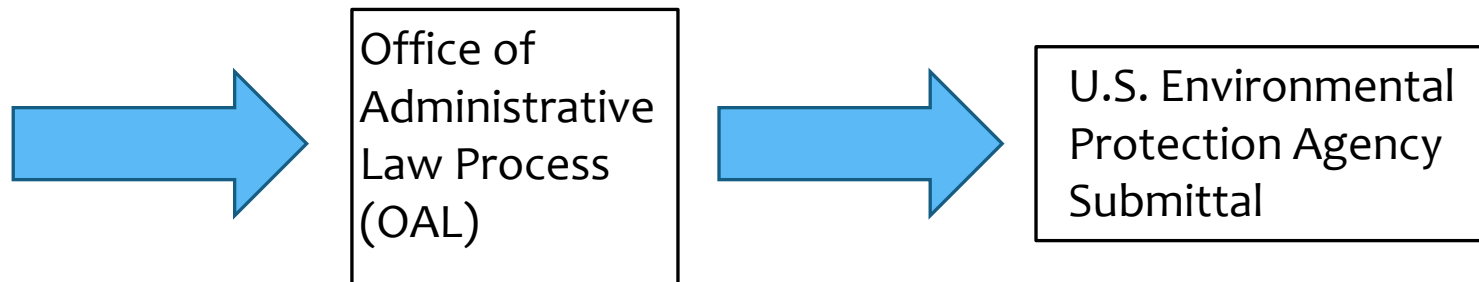
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# Amendment Changes

## since Board Workshop

- \* NPDES-permitted non-storm water discharges to an MS4 implementation moved to Provision 5.(c)(2).
- \* Added Provisions 5.(c)(3-4) to allow discharges essential for emergency response purposes, structural stability, and slope stability, and which occur naturally.
- \* Modification of SWQPA-GP definition.

# Summary of Amendment

- \* Implementation of:
  - \* State Water Board Resolution 2010-0057.
  - \* State Water Board's California Ocean Plan Triennial Review Workplan 2011-2013 under Resolution 2011-0013.
- \* Marine Managed Area Improvement Act
- \* Does not designate of new State Water Quality Protection Areas.



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- \* Establish a framework for State Water Quality Protection Areas of General Protection (SWQPA - GP) upon designated State Marine Parks and State Marine Conservation Areas.
- \* Intermediate level of protection between baseline Ocean Plan and Areas of Special Biological Significance (ASBS).



# Pictorial Example: State Water Quality Protection Areas – General Protection

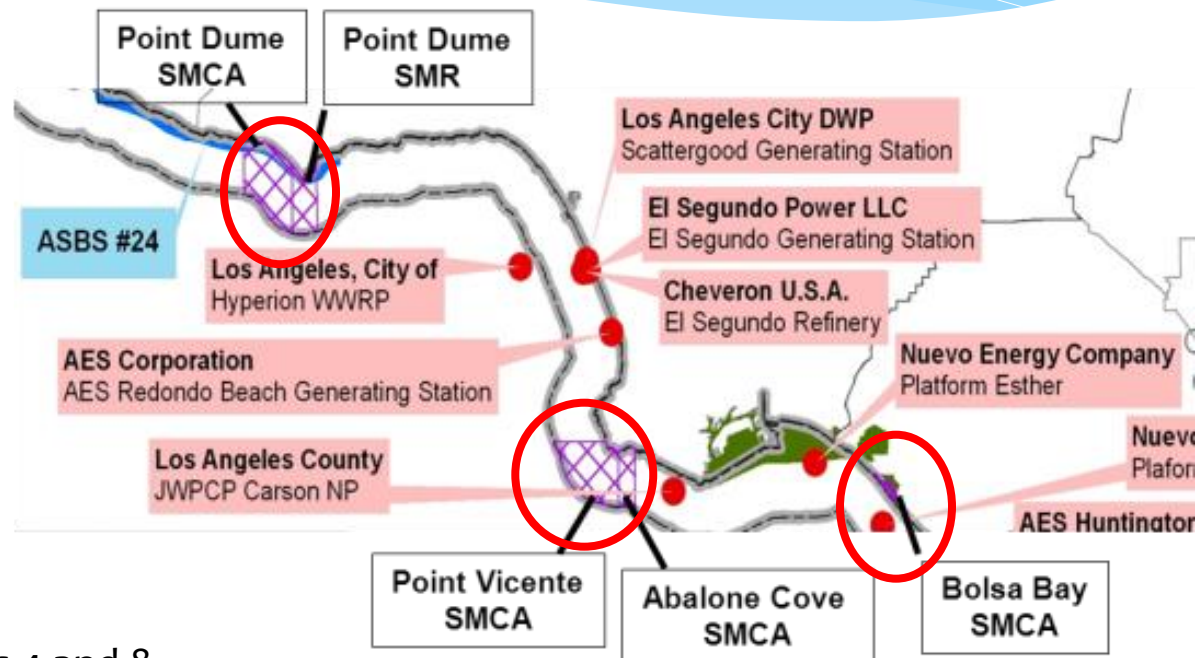
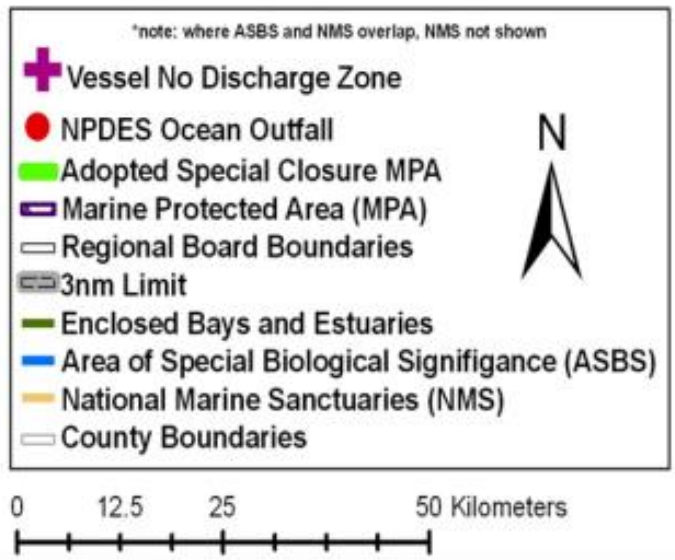


Figure: Coastal Regional Water Boards 4 and 8



# Questions?



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